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GW STUDENTS AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

WASHINGTON – Julia Booth, a 2004 graduate of The George Washington University's School of Business, and Kristen Eckert, Kate Hill and Kelly Keehan, 2004 graduates of GW's Elliott School of International Affairs, have been awarded Fulbright grants for 2004-2005.

Booth, who will study in Morocco, is from Washington, D.C., and majored in international business and information systems. Eckert, a Deerfield, Ill., native, was selected for an award to Germany and was a University Honors Program scholar and Latin American studies major. Hill, also a University Honors Program scholar and an international affairs major concentrating in Asia, is from Nacogdoches, Texas, and will carry out research in Vietnam. Keehan, an international affairs major concentrating in Asia, will teach English as a Fulbright Teaching Assistant in Taiwan. She is from Danville, N.H.

"These fine students exemplify GW's commitment to excellence in educating global citizens and scholars, and we are very proud of their success in the highly competitive and prestigious Fulbright program," said GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg.

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program, established in 1946 under legislation introduced by former Sen. J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, is the flagship international educational program sponsored by the U.S. government. It was established to "increase mutual understanding between people of the U.S. and the people of other countries." The program has provided more than 250,000 participants chosen for their academic merit and leadership potential, including 96,400 from the United States and 158,600 from other countries, with the opportunity to study and teach in other countries, exchange ideas and develop joint solutions to address shared concerns.

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**GW STUDENT AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS
RANGEL INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS FELLOWSHIP**

WASHINGTON – Hala Rharrit, a 2004 graduate of The George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs, has been awarded the prestigious Rangel International Affairs Fellowship. Rharrit, of Casablanca, Morocco, was an international affairs and Eastern studies major.

"Hala has earned this excellent opportunity to join the long list of GW graduates who have gone on to serve with distinction in the U.S. Foreign Service," said GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg. "We are proud of her and have high hopes for her success in graduate study and in the State Department."

The Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Fellowship Program seeks to attract outstanding young people interested in pursuing a career in the Foreign Service of the U.S. Department of State. Each fellow commits to a minimum of three years of service as a Foreign Service officer. Fellows receive mentoring from a Foreign Service officer throughout the duration of the fellowship and during their early employment at the State Department. The fellowship program is named for U.S. Rep. Charles B. Rangel (D-NY).

As a Rangel Fellow, Rharrit will receive up to \$27,000 annually for graduate study and will participate in two internships. The first, a domestic internship on Capitol Hill, will take place the summer before Rharrit begins a degree program and the second will be an overseas internship in a U.S. embassy following her first year of study.

The Elliott School of International Affairs at The George Washington University is one of the nation's leading professional schools of international affairs. The Elliot School's world-renowned faculty provide students, the policy community and the public with in-depth analysis of international economic, political and scientific issues and the historical and cultural factors shaping them. The Elliott School prepares students for an extensive range of international affairs careers in the business, nonprofit and governmental sectors. The school's alumni can be found in leading decision-making positions all over the world.

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GW AND HOUGHTON MIFFLIN SHOW COMMITMENT TO TECHNOLOGY WITH LAUNCH OF *E-LEARNING COMPANION*

New Book Prepares Students for Success with Online Technologies and Protocols

WASHINGTON –The George Washington University and Houghton Mifflin Company announce the publication of the *E-Learning Companion: A Student's Guide to Online Success*. The comprehensive book and corresponding Web sites, written by GW Educational Technology Leadership Professors, Drs. Ryan Watkins and Michael Corry, are designed to give both the tech-savvy and those new to Internet-based learning tools and computer applications best practices and tips to improve e-learning skills and enhance students' success.

One of the first books of its kind, the *E-Learning Companion* is meeting the demand of a significant and growing market by providing students with a resource that incorporates technology skills and study strategies to help them succeed in the online learning environment. Today, well over three million students enroll in online courses each year, according to *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. According to a 2003 survey by Market Data Retrieval, a leading education market research firm, 94 percent of post secondary schools use a "course management system to extend communications between professors and students beyond the classroom environment for distance learning and traditional classes on college campuses." These e-learning tools include online grade books, messaging and chat rooms, interactive forums and new software applications for reports and presentations.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg called the book "a reference, a toolkit, a mentor." "You'll find it a lot easier to succeed in school with it than without it," said Trachtenberg, who wrote the foreword for the book, which the nearly 2,600 GW freshmen will receive courtesy of the University when they arrive on campus in the fall. "GW is committed to providing its students access to technology. In addition to the *E-Learning Companion*, students have high-speed access in the residence halls, Wi-Fi access in several locations on campus and numerous state of the art laboratories throughout campus."

Corry, who along with Watkins is intimately involved with designing and delivering e-learning courses, said, "Online learning requires a different skills set and study behaviors than classroom

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learning. We are very excited to be partnering with Houghton Mifflin to arm students with the tools it takes to be successful in a technology-centric learning environment.”

The *E-Learning Companion* provides students with a quick-reference guide for developing the necessary technology skills to achieve success in any college course that uses online technology. In addition to providing students with information on basic hardware and software requirements, a glossary of technology lingo and extensive technology tips, the book covers topics such as online time management strategies, goal setting and developing positive online relationships. Accompanying the text is a Web site that provides 32 online tutorials, activities, self-assessments and other resources.

“Technology training is such a crucial step in the development of young students, but is often overlooked by universities,” said June Smith, executive vice president, College Division of Houghton Mifflin. “The *E-Learning Companion* prepares students not only for success in college, but also teaches them how to communicate and work collaboratively in our technology-based society.”

Boston-based Houghton Mifflin Company is one of the leading educational publishers in the United States; publishing textbooks, instructional technology, assessments and other educational materials for elementary and secondary schools and colleges. The Company also publishes an extensive line of reference works and award-winning fiction and nonfiction for adults and young readers, and offers computer-administered testing programs and services for the professional and certification markets. With its origins dating back to 1832, Houghton Mifflin combines its tradition of excellence with a commitment to innovation.

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"FILMS ON THE VERN"

GW Mount Vernon Campus Hosts Special Outdoor Screenings of Political Classics *Being There* and *Dave*

EVENT: The GW Mount Vernon Campus (MVC) presents "Films on the Vern." GW, Foxhall, Palisades, Foggy Bottom, and West End community members are especially invited to bring a blanket and enjoy outdoor screenings of political classics *Being There* and *Dave*. Dinner and snacks will be available for purchase each evening at the Mount Vernon Pub and Grill until 9:30 p.m.

WHEN: *Being There*
Wednesday, July 14, 2004
8:30 p.m.

Dave
Wednesday, August 4, 2004
8:30 p.m.

WHERE: The George Washington University
Mount Vernon Campus Quad
2100 Foxhall Road NW (enter from Whitehaven Parkway)
Rain location: Eckles Library Auditorium
Complimentary parking will be available in the MVC Garage
Shuttle service will run every 30 minutes between the GW Foggy Bottom Campus and MVC until 11 p.m. Departures from the Foggy Bottom Campus, at 22nd I Streets, will be at :15 and :45 past the hour.

COST: Free and open to the public.

BACKGROUND:

In *Being There* (1979, not rated, running time 130 minutes), Peter Sellers stars as Chance, a dapper, mentally deficient gardener who has spent his entire life in the Washington, D.C. home of a rich recluse. When Chance steps out into the world for the first time his idle aphorisms are interpreted as philosophical wisdom by a wealthy industrialist and, soon after, swallowed whole by the American public to the point where Chance becomes a media celebrity.

Dave (1993, PG-13, running time 105 minutes) tells the story of an actor (Kevin Kline) hired to impersonate the president of the United States who has suffered a stroke. While in office he uses his luck to make the country a better place and falls in love with the first lady (Sigourney Weaver).

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TWO PROFESSORS NAMED TO ROSTER OF LAW SCHOOL DEANS

**Peter Raven-Hansen Becomes Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs;
Ira C. Lupu Named Associate Dean for Faculty Development**

WASHINGTON – Interim Dean Roger H. Trangsrud of The George Washington University Law School announced today the appointment of Peter Raven-Hansen, Glen Earl Weston Research Professor of Law, as senior associate dean for academic affairs and Ira C. “Chip” Lupu, F. Elwood and Eleanor Davis Professor of Law, as associate dean for faculty development.

“I am very pleased that Peter and Chip have agreed to join our circle of Law School deans,” said Trangsrud. “They bring enormous experience and tremendous administrative skills to these positions and their reputation with both the faculty and staff for efficiency, good judgment and wit are unsurpassed.”

“I’m looking forward to serving the Law School on the administration front in addition to the classroom,” said Raven-Hansen. “I’m especially pleased to be working along side my long-time colleague and friend, Dean Trangsrud.”

Regarding his appointment Lupu said, “I am honored to be asked by Dean Trangsrud to serve in this role. I’ll do everything I can to further facilitate the growth of our enormously talented faculty.”

Raven-Hansen teaches national security law, civil procedure, evidence and a variety of public law courses including administrative law and the law of the presidency. He is a co-author of the casebook *National Security Law*, co-author of the student handbook *Understanding Civil Procedure*, as well as *National Security Law and the Power of the Purse*, *First Use of Nuclear Weapons* and various articles on national security law. Before joining the Law School faculty in 1980, Raven-Hansen was in private practice with the firm of Hogan & Hartson in Washington, D.C., and worked as a senior economic analyst with Abt Associates, Inc., in Cambridge, Mass.

Lupu joined the Law School faculty in 1990. He is a nationally recognized scholar in constitutional law, with an emphasis on the religion clauses of the First Amendment. The *National Journal* recently named him as one of *the* experts to whom D.C. policy-makers look to as a scholar on issues of religion and state.

Lupu will act as a point of contact for the Law School faculty regarding activities, such as works-in-progress presentations, conferences, symposia and other collaborative endeavors designed to facilitate and enhance scholarship and improve teaching. He also will provide advice and assistance to faculty regarding academic and research opportunities, including sources of funding, and for sabbatical and other leaves.

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Raven-Hansen replaces Trangsrud who left the academic affairs post to take on responsibilities as interim dean. Lupu replaces Richard J. Pierce Jr., Lyle T. Alverson Professor of Law, who is returning to the classroom full time after serving in the position since its creation in 2002.

Established in 1865, The George Washington University Law School is the oldest law school in the District of Columbia. Accredited by the American Bar Association and a charter member of the Association of American Law Schools, the Law School enrolls approximately 1,750 students each year.

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**KEN MEHLMAN, CAMPAIGN MANAGER FOR BUSH-CHENEY '04,
TO HEADLINE GW'S GRADUATE SCHOOL OF POLITICAL MANAGEMENT
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
JULY 31**

WASHINGTON – The George Washington University Graduate School of Political Management (GSPM) announced today that Ken Mehlman, campaign manager for the Bush-Cheney 2004 Presidential Campaign, will deliver the keynote address at GSPM's commencement. The ceremony takes place in the University's Jack Morton Auditorium, home of CNN *Crossfire*, on Saturday, July 31, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.

"Ken Mehlman represents the best of the best when it comes to formulating strategy and running political campaigns," said GSPM Dean Christopher Arterton. "He is a great role model for our students and we are highly honored to have someone of his caliber address our graduates, particularly at the height of this heated presidential campaign."

In 2001, Mehlman was appointed deputy assistant to the president and director of White House political affairs. Prior to that he served as national field director for Bush-Cheney 2000. From 1996-1999, Mehlman was chief of staff for Rep. Kay Granger (R-Texas) and from 1994-1996 he served as legislative director for Rep. Lamar Smith's (R-Texas).

The GSPM has a long tradition of outstanding speakers who continue to challenge civic participation in the political process. Past speakers include Gore 2000 Campaign Manager Donna Brazil, McCain 2000 Campaign Manager Rick Davis, political humorist and commentator Arianna Huffington, Republican National Committee Deputy Chairman Jack Oliver and Sen. John Kerry (D-Mass.).

The Graduate School of Political Management of The George Washington University is the nation's premier school of professional politics. Hailed by *The New York Times* as "the West Point of the political wars," the school is at the forefront of establishing the foundation for long-term solutions to the problems of American democracy by advancing both the professional expertise of those in politics and the analytical science of democratic politics.

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